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Stephanie Halligan, left, and Dana Seidel notched another first for their online blog, trying cheese empanadas from The Chilean Corner at The Forks while being interviewed for the first time by a newspaper. BERNICE PONTANILLA/METRO

# Lifelong 'Peggers explore city for 'the first time'

**Online blog.** Duo attempt to do something new every day for 365 days

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An online blog started by two Charleswood friends out of sheer boredom has created quite a following among Winnipeggers.

Called "it feels like the first time," the blog follows Stephanie Halligan and Dana Seidel as they try something new each day for 365 days.

"Honestly, we were both just bored with our lives," said Halligan, a business and international development student at Canadian Mennonite University.

Seidel said they had been talking about the idea forever.

"We were always talking about how we were so stuck in routines and we said, 'We need to do something new,' but we never really could think of something, so then Steph just decided we're going to do something new every day," added Seidel, who works as a receptionist.

Since then, the duo has visited museums, gone on numerous tours, attended Pride Parade, and spoken to a group of teenage girls about trying new things and pushing past limits they might set for themselves.

When they began the blog on Dec. 1, Halligan and Seidel, both 23, said they had no clue that it would catch on as much as it has.

"I was expecting the people reading it to be us, our moms and Steph's sister … and that's pretty much it," laughed Seidel.

"But now it's been really cool to see how the whole Winnipeg community supports us," said Halligan, adding that they like to use humour in their blogs.

In May, the friends "since Grade 7" were sponsored by Tourism Winnipeg, which has made attending many events more feasible — and a little easier on the wallet.

Halligan and Seidel encourage people to embark on their own "firsts" adventures, no matter if it's only once a week or month.

The blog will soon take on an international flavour as Halligan will be going to California this summer and Seidel will be moving to Vancouver in the fall to continue her education.

But they promise to complete this year of "firsts" and perhaps turn it into a book.

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Bath salts

## Deadly drug not here yet: RCMP

As Ottawa moves to ban the key ingredient in a controversial drug linked to a violent attack in Florida, Manitoba officials say bath salts haven't been found anywhere in the province, including here in Winnipeg.

"To date, we've had no encounters with this in Manitoba, but time will tell," spokesperson Line Karpish of RCMP "D" Division said this week. "Our officers in the Winnipeg Drug Section are certainly keeping an eye out," she added.

Health Minister Leona Aglukkaq said Tuesday that the federal government is rushing to ban MDPV, a synthetic substance used to make bath salts.

The drug has gained notoriety since the vicious May 26 attack in Miami, where police shot and killed a man under the influence of bath salts who tore his victim's face apart with his teeth. Experts say the drug can cause psychotic episodes.

Kathryn McBurney, a spokesperson for the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority, said the agency has seen no cases of bath salt abuse, but added authorities are always ready to fight new health threats. "There will always be some level of substance use within Winnipeg and occasionally the substances change," she said. "Essentially, we're prepared when things like this occur."

Aglukkaq said the government plans to include the drug in the list of banned substances under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act, placing it in the same category as heroin and cocaine.

The Winnipeg Police Service was contacted for comment on this story, but didn't get back to Metro by press time on Thursday.

SHANE GIBSON/METRO, WITH FILES FROM THE CANADIAN PRESS

## South-end fire. Man loses garage, van, wallet in blaze

A garage fire on Woodydell Avenue in St. Vital caused extensive damage to two adjacent garages on Thursday morning.

Robert Caplette's garage and vehicle were destroyed in the fire, and he says he is still waiting to find out if his insurance company will compensate him.

He says fire officials do not believe it was arson, but it could have been someone flicking a cigarette carelessly around his garbage cans.

Everything in Caplette's garage was destroyed, including his van, which had his wallet in it.

Caplette says losing his wallet is the worst part of the ordeal, as it will make it that much harder to do the paperwork needed to get his insurance money.

The garage roof collapsed and the entire structure will have to be replaced. The heat from the blaze also cracked the back windows of Caplette's house.

A south-end fire destroyed Robert Caplette's garage and van. DAVE BAXTER/FOR METRO

Despite the damage, Caplette says he is happy nobody was hurt.

Damage to the other garage appears to be less extensive.

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# More than a fair Exchange: Doors open at new condo

**Grant program.** Public and private funding makes downtown development unique

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Winnipeg's first downtown condominium project to be built with both public and private money had its official opening in the Exchange District on Thursday morning.

The Penthouse at 100 Princess Street is a six-storey heritage building converted into a mixed-use residence by Vancouver-based Taurean Global Properties. It offers 60 one- and two-bedroom loft-style condos as well as commercial space on the main floor.

"I think what we have here is a fantastic example of a public and private partnership that works really well for everyone," Douglas Thiessen, president and CEO of Taurean Global, said at the ribbon cutting.

Thiessen said the total bill to convert the 109-year-old building came in at about $12.3 million, and both the City of Winnipeg and the Province of Manitoba contributed a portion of funding for the work through a joint tax incentive known as the Downtown Residential Development Grant (DRDG).

The DRDG is a three-year, $40-million program that provides grants to developers of new apartment blocks, condos or mixed-use buildings in downtown Winnipeg.

Mayor Sam Katz, who was joined at the opening by Premier Greg Selinger, said projects like the Penthouse and others that take advantage of the DRDG bring people downtown and make the area safer.

"What we want to see is feet on the street after all the retail has closed down," Katz said. "That's what this creates, having people living downtown."

Thirty-one Penthouse condos have been sold, and the remaining condos range in price from $200,000 to 400,000.

A rent-to-own option is also available through a contract between the developer and local rental-ownership program the Condo Company.

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**Trolley tour**

- The Penthouse is one of many new housing developments going up downtown. This summer the Downtown Living lunch tour will give downtown workers a chance to hop on the new Winnipeg Trolley for a free 45-minute tour of properties in the core. To learn more or to book a spot on the trolley, go to myplaceisdowntown.com.

From left, developer Douglas Thiessen, Mayor Sam Katz and Premier Greg Selinger cut the ribbon on Thursday at downtown Winnipeg's latest condo development, the Penthouse at 100 Princess Street. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

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On the web

### *The Mary Jane to his Spidey*

**Marriage proposals have become so clichéd these days. To spice up the humdrum affair, one man has added a superhero twist by dressing up like a certain famous webslinger to give his bride a public proposal she won't ever forget. Go to metronews.ca to see the video**

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Strong-arm robberies

## Attacks on seniors may be related

Winnipeg police say two recent strong-arm robberies involving elderly women may be connected.

In both cases, the man is described as a white male, about 25 years old with a slim build. In one incident the suspect was wearing a beige baseball cap and jacket, and in the other he was described as having light-coloured hair.

Investigations continue and anyone with information is asked to call investigators at 986-2848 or CrimeStoppers at 786-TIPS. METRO

Main Street

## Man charged in commercial break-in on Main

Winnipeg police said a man broke into a business on Main Street on Thursday.

Police said the man broke into the business at 12:30 a.m. in the 2300 block of Main Street causing $500 damage. The would-be thief triggered the alarm and police arrested him nearby.

Jamie Frederick Fontaine, 37, of Pine Falls has been charged with break and enter and remains in custody. METRO

Marijuana

## Drug seizure and arrest

Winnipeg police seized nearly $200,000 worth of pot and equipment on Wednesday from a home in the 100 block of Meadow Lake Drive. There, they found $184,800 worth of marijuana plants, $1,400 in cash and grow equipment valued at $7,500.

A 32-year-old woman and a 51-year-old man, both of Winnipeg, have been charged with production of cannabis, possession for the purpose of trafficking and processing money acquired through crime. Both METRO

# Students tested after HIV scare

**One in a several million.** School says risk is miniscule; some in community angered over screening

Dozens of students and staff at a First Nations high school are being tested for HIV and hepatitis after undergoing a faulty diabetes screening.

A University of Manitoba professor talked to students at Southeast Collegiate on May 4 about diabetes and used a glucometer to test blood-sugar levels on about 80 people.

A university spokesman said the professor changed the needle used on each person, but failed to realize that the part that holds the needle is not supposed to be used on more than one person.

"The lancet, the needle-like poker which punctures the skin, was in fact changed after every use, and the skin was cleaned with alcohol," John Danakas said Thursday."It's the device which holds the lancet that was reused, and you're not supposed to reuse that. Although the device never comes into contact with the person's skin ... there's still a very, very small, I think it's one in several million, possibility that there could be an infection."

The university later clarified the chances are deemed to be less than one in a million. Danakas would not identify the professor, but said he was not authorized to perform the diabetes test and has been disciplined.

Staff and students are now undergoing tests to see if they have contracted HIV or hepatitis B or C, and must undergo a second round of tests in six months.

"As soon as the university found out about it, we alerted the school," Danakas said.

The case has angered some aboriginal leaders.

Eight children from the reserve who attend the Winnipeg school were part of the diabetes test. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Doin' the Q Dance

A couple rehearses for Q Dance, a collection of three new pieces by choreographer Peter Quanz, which takes place at the Gas Station Arts Theatre on June 8 and 9 at 7:30 p.m., and 2 p.m. on June 10. Tickets are $25 and available at the RWB box office, 380 Graham Ave., or immediately prior to the shows.

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## Window washer. Man falls from eight-storey building

Winnipeg police say a window washer is in stable condition in hospital after falling several stories from an apartment building.

Officers can't confirm the distance the man fell but a broken support rope was left dangling from near the top of the eight-storey building.

A glass panel in the front atrium was shattered when the man fell.

The man's boss said he had no broken bones but suffered a severe head wound. THE CANADIAN PRESS, WITH FILES FROM METRO

# HOT DAYS BRING HOTTER (AND SPOOKIER) NIGHTS

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Finally, the hot weather has arrived! We hardly recognized you, Mr. Heat! Also, and most important, the weekend is upon us, and if you are one of those last-minute planners, you will have a ton of cool stuff to check out this weekend.

**Ready to kick it up a notch ... Or 10?** Rudy's Eat and Drink, one of the hippest joints in the entire city, is having dueling DJs go head-to-head this Saturday beginning at 10 p.m. Not only is their food amazing, the drinks, atmosphere, staff, and menu sets them apart from a lot of other establishments in the 'Peg. Friday is their grand opening patio party, and I can guarantee you will have a blast. Singles, I would head down there for happy hour (4-10ish) because you could very well be leaving a lot happier then when you first walked in — beautiful, young professionals everywhere. Online lovers… this is a great "meeting place," too — just saying!

**Fright Night:** Donna Elliot, a medium who claims she can communicate with spirits since she was three, (insert your own opinion here), is hosting a ghost tour June 9 in the evening. Now I will say I have been on a ghost tour in Winnipeg before, and some really creepy stuff went down, but it was also a fun night out with my girlfriend. For details, call 204-989-9630.

**In the mood for some laughs?** Comedian John Roy will be performing his act all weekend long at Rumors Restaurant and Comedy Club. Here's the 411 on good ol' Johnny Boy: he won CBS' Star Search in 2003, he has performed on Jay Leno, David Letterman, Craig Ferguson and most recently on Conan's stage. John Roy was a semi-finalist on The Last Comic Standing as well, so clearly this guy can make people laugh.

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# Phoenix Sinclair inquiry pushed back again

A public inquiry into the horrific beating to death of a young Manitoba girl was pushed back Thursday, amid growing debate over whether social workers should have their identities protected.

The inquiry into how the child welfare system failed to protect Phoenix Sinclair was scheduled to start July 4, but will be delayed until Sept. 5 due to the ongoing argument.

"Several parties have brought motions with respect to the publication ban issue. Seventeen affidavits, often lengthy and extensive with numerous exhibits, have been filed by those participating," Ted Hughes, the retired judge who will preside over the inquiry, wrote Thursday.

"Counsel have requested a short additional period in which to adequately prepare. There is merit in the request. Reluctantly, I have decided to accede to it."

Phoenix Sinclair spent most of her short life in foster care before being handed back to her mother. She died in June, 2005 at the age of five, after being tortured, confined and assaulted inside the family's home on the Fisher River reserve.

Her death went unnoticed for nine months. Her partial remains were found in a shallow grave near the reserve's dump in the spring of 2006. Her mother, Samantha Kematch, and Kematch's boyfriend, Karl McKay, were later convicted of first-degree murder and are serving life sentences.

Kematch's trial was told child welfare workers would occasionally check on Sinclair but eventually decided all was well and closed the file. A few months before the girl's death, one worker went to visit the girl but was told by Kematch that she was sleeping. He saw a sibling playing outside, appearing healthy, and decided not to pursue the matter.

Kematch and her boyfriend continued to collect benefits from the Fisher River Cree Nation in Phoenix's name months after her death.

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# Diversion. Hundreds attend meeting about Manitoba class-action flood lawsuit

About 400 people have turned out to a meeting to hear details of a proposed class-action lawsuit against the Manitoba government.

The suit is being organized by home and cottage owners whose Lake Manitoba properties were devastated by flooding.

Dennis Turek of the Twin Lakes Beach Association says so far there's been a lot of confusion and foot-dragging, and residents say enough is enough.

Many believe the flooding was the result of a man-made situation. The province ran the Portage Diversion well over capacity last spring, trying to drain as much water as possible off the flooding Assiniboine River before it reached vulnerable dikes near Winnipeg.

Then a windstorm sent walls of water crashing into many communities, destroying hundreds of homes and cottages.

Manitoba's NDP government says it has had 2,675 applications for compensation from the Lake Manitoba area and, of those, there have been 97 appeals so far.

"We lost a cottage and we lost our home, our permanent residence," said Gary Grubert. "None of us have enough retirement funds in the bank where we can just do it on our own."

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The Portage Diverson was run well over capacity last spring.

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The Winnipeg Fire and Paramedic Department says arsons, like this garage fire in the North End earlier this year, will always be investigated, but perhaps not through the Arson Strike Force. METRO FILE

# Arson. 'We will always investigate fires': WFPD

The Winnipeg Fire Paramedic Department (WFPD) says they're considering pulling their manpower from the Arson Strike Force, but not because fires won't be investigated anymore.

WFPD deputy chief Stephen Sumka said despite media reports to the contrary, fires will always be investigated by experts.

"It just may be investigated from the company level… but we will always investigate fires," he said, adding every firefighter is given training to determine where and how a fire started.

The department will save $700,000 by pulling out of the task force, which includes personnel from the WFPD, the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) and the office of the Fire Commissioner.

The Arson Strike Force was formed in 1999 after a series of major arsons that swept the city. Their goal: to get firebugs off the street. At the time, the province dedicated funding for staff for the unit from the WFPD, but that funding ended, said Sumka, in 2005.

The WFPD acted more as a support role, said Sumka, as it's the WPS who have the power to prosecute and therefore sweep firebugs off Winnipeg streets. To that end, Sumka said the money may be better used elsewhere within the department.

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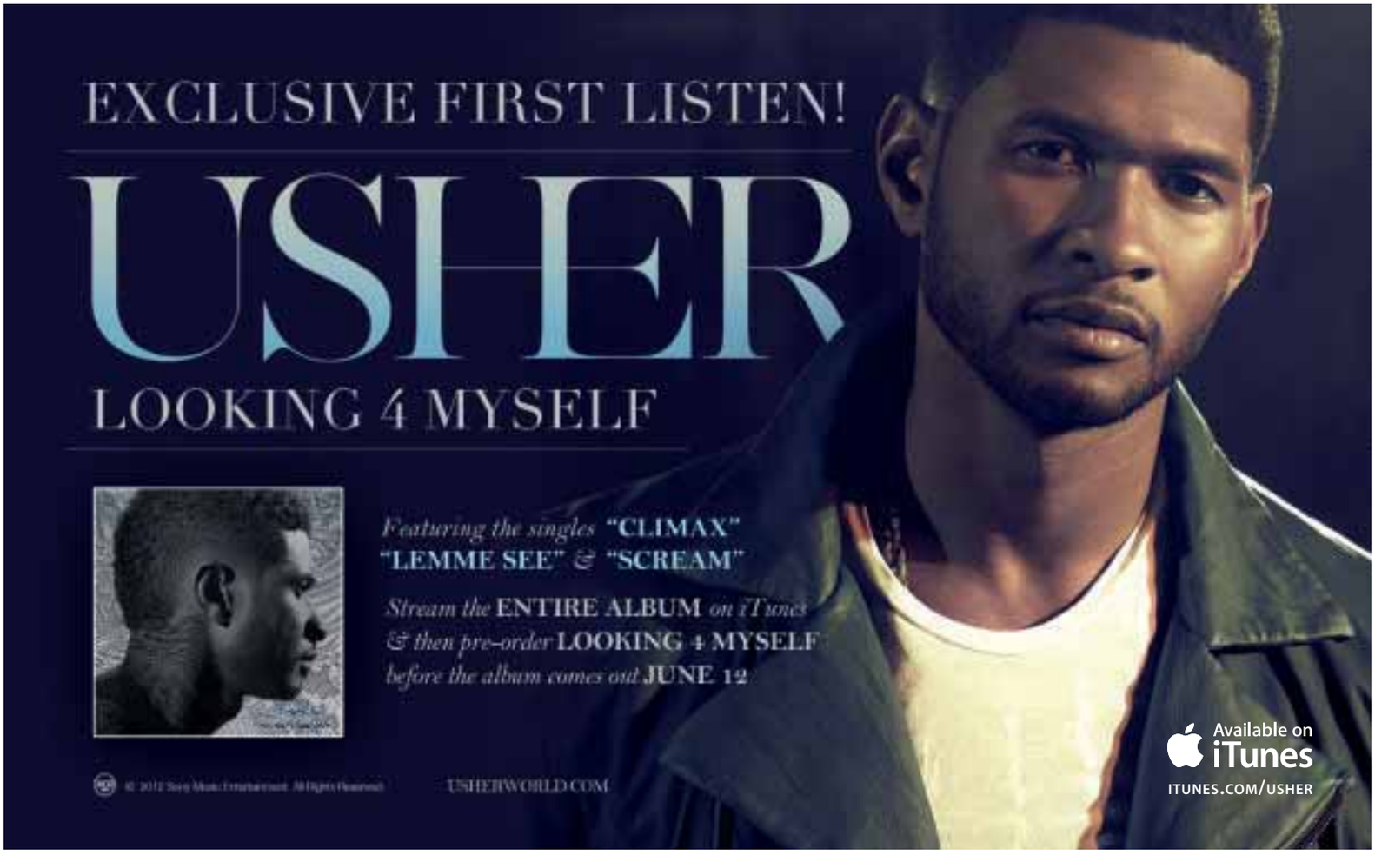
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# Ste. Anne man watches 'Stanley with Lanny'

**Legendary hockey player.** Lanny McDonald broke fan's heart in 1989, mended it Wednesday night at Devils of a game

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Norman Larocque, second from left, got to watch Game 4 of the Stanley Cup final with Lanny MacDonald, third from left, and other family members. CONTRIBUTED/METRO

Norman Larocque got to watch the Stanley Cup Final on Wednesday night with the same legendary hockey player that broke his Montreal Canadiens' loving heart 23 years ago.

Larocque, 51, of Ste. Anne, Man., won the Scotiabank 'See Stanley with Lanny' Contest and watched game four of the Stanley Cup Finals between the Los Angeles Kings and the New Jersey Devils with his family and Lanny McDonald at the Staples Centre in Los Angeles.

McDonald is remembered for scoring a key goal in the 1989 Stanley Cup Final that helped the Calgary Flames beat the Montreal Canadiens and capture their only Stanley Cup. Larocque said he remembers the goal like it was yesterday.

"I have been a fan of Lanny since the goal that broke my heart back in '89," said Larocque.

"Back then I thought, if the Canadiens can't win it, then I will be happy for Lanny and I've been a fan ever since."

"Plus everyone knows about him because of that moustache."

Larocque said the chance to spend a few days with a hockey icon has been a chance of a lifetime for him and his family.

"The whole trip has been first class. He hung out with us the whole time and made us feel like long-lost relatives."

Larocque said the atmosphere at the Staples Centre on Wednesday was electric.

"I know the Jets have the loudest fans, but imagine 3,000 more people and it's the Stanley Cup Final. It was electric."

**Quoted**

**"It was electric in the Staples Centre. Everyone was feeling it, including Lanny."**
Norman Larocque

**Football**

## Bomber plates flying off shelves

The new Winnipeg Blue Bombers license plates have been such a hit in Winnipeg that many MPI branches have sold out of the redesigned plates.

The plates went on sale May 28, and about 3,500 were sold in the first week, causing some to think that they had completely sold out.

Brian Smiley of MPI said the plates are not sold out, but that fans will have to search to find them.

"There was an initial release of 4,500 and some branches sold out of them and some did not, but these are private businesses so they aren't going to tell you other branches that still have them." said Smiley.

"Anyone wanting to purchase a plate will have to locate a branch where they are still available."

Smiley said that more plates will be produced and branches will receive them based on customer demand.

Darren Cameron, the director of media relations for the Bombers said the team is thrilled with the response to the plates.
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# Euro 2012 a chance for 'Peggers to show homeland pride

**Everyone is welcome.** Tournament kicked off with 16 nations competing in Poland and the Ukraine — but you can get in on the fun right here

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Germany, Portugal, England and a host of other flags gracing Winnipeggers' vehicles on the streets right now can only mean one thing — it's Euro 2012 time.

The soccer tournament, which crowns Europe's best, is held every four years, in between FIFA World Cups.

Euro 2012 kicked off Friday, June 8, with 16 nations competing at stadiums across Poland and Ukraine.

Over the last two decades, Winnipeggers have embraced both tournaments as a chance to show pride in their roots and gather at community clubs and favourite watering holes.

Supporters of reigning Euro and World Cup champions Spain are inviting the public to watch the games with members of the Spanish community at the Spanish Club of Winnipeg, at 677 Selkirk Ave.

"We will receive all people, whether or not members of the club, everyone is welcome," said club president Carmen Infante, adding that there will be "tapas, wine, beer and happiness."

The Spanish Club, which saw celebrations spill over onto Selkirk Avenue when Spain won the last Euro and the 2010 World Cup, opens at 10 a.m. on Sunday for Spain's opening match against long-time rival Italy.

England supporters are expected to gather at Highway 75 Blues and Sports Bar at the Pembina Hotel, a.k.a. The Pemby.

"We're excited to host once again," said owner Trevor Druxman.

"We're going to show the games in high-definition, full sound, have some fun and go England!"

England's first game is against France on Monday at 10:30 a.m. and, Druxman added, there will be beer available that early in the morning, specifically the No. 1 requested Guinness on tap. Guinness schwag, including a hoodie, will be up for prizes.

FOR A PREVIEW OF EURO 2012, SEE PAGE 25

**Let us know you plans!**

**Are you hosting Euro 2012 games and events? If so, please let us know at winnipeg@metronews.ca.**

**Trevor Druxman, owner of Highway 75 Blues and Sports Bar at the Pembina Hotel, said his establishment will once again host England fans and have plenty of beer on tap.** BERNICE PONTANILLA/METRO

**Fort Rouge**

## Program puts shoes on children's feet

Winnipeggers can make a child from Fort Rouge School happy by donating a new pair of running shoes by June 15.

A program has been launched by More Than Shoes and the Rady Jewish Community Centre (JCC), who want to help change the lives of those children, making feel them confident and proud of themselves.

Larah Luna, spokesperson for the Rady JCC, said this year the program, called Changing Lives One Pair of Shoes At a Time, has been focused on students from Fort Rouge School for two reasons.

One, to ensure that children have adequate shoes and to help children build confidence.

"A new pair of 'cool' shoes can help in building their self-esteem, adding to their sense of pride," said Luna.

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# First Nations school being tested for HIV

**Infection unlikely.**
University of Manitoba professor administers faulty diabetes screening

Dozens of students and staff at a First Nations high school are being tested for HIV and hepatitis after undergoing a faulty diabetes screening.

A University of Manitoba professor talked to students at Southeast Collegiate on May 4 about diabetes and used a glucometer to test blood-sugar levels on about 80 people.

University spokesman John Danakas said the professor changed the needle used on each person.

"It's the device which holds the lancet that was reused, and you're not supposed to reuse that. Although the device never comes into contact with the person's skin ... there's still a very, very small, I think it's one in several million, possibility that there could be an infection."

The university later clarified the chances are deemed to be less than one in a million.

Danakas would not identify the professor, but said he was not authorized to perform the diabetes test and has been disciplined.

The case has angered some aboriginal leaders.

"While the risk of a student contracting an infection is described by the University of Manitoba as exceptionally unlikely ... the risk is not zero," Chief Michael Yellowback of the Manto Sipi Cree Nation, said in a written statement. Eight children from the reserve who attend the Winnipeg school were part of the diabetes test.

The group that represents First Nations communities across northern Manitoba said it was alarmed that impromptu diabetes tests were done without parental consent.

"At the heart of the matter, prior written parental consent should have been required by the school," said Grand Chief David Harper of the Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak.

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## Searching for suspect with oversized ears

**Halifax Regional Police are investigating a theft from a bus shelter of an oversized set of headphones. The headphones, measuring more than a metre wide and a metre tall, had been placed on the bus shelter as part of an advertising campaign. Given the size, it is believed that two or more people are responsible for the theft.**

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# Montreal police arrest protesters

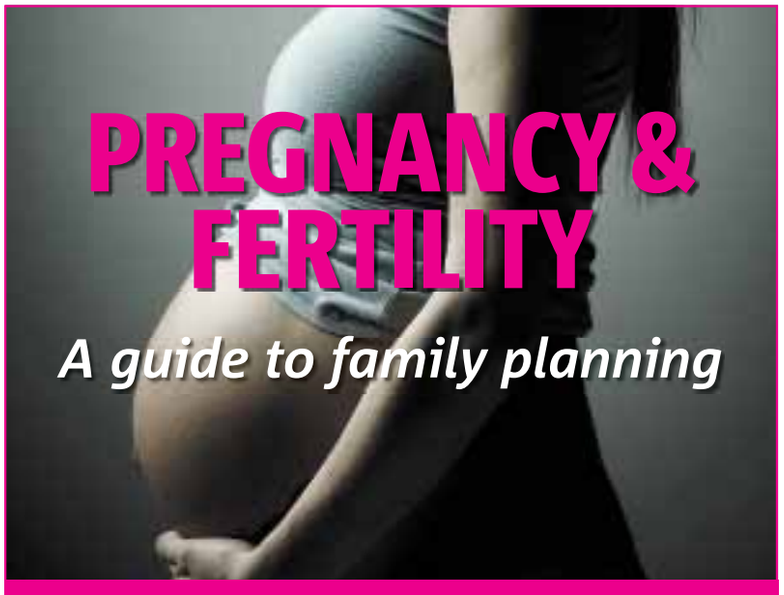
Montreal police made a series of searches and arrests in connection with disruptive protests, and those detained Thursday included the daughter of an elected politician.

Amir Khadir, the sole elected member of the left-wing party Quebec Solidaire, confirmed that his 19-year-old daughter was among those arrested.

Five out of 11 people being sought Thursday have been arrested.

It was unclear what charges Khadir's daughter, Yalda Machouf-Khadir, might face. Her arrest came just two days after that of her politician father, who was released with a fine.

Khadir had compared his own act of blocking a street during a protest, to the civil disobedience of Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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## Quebec media, politicians get suspicious mail

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Extradition

## Magnotta may return to Canada within days

German prosecutors said Thursday a decision on the extradition of Luka Rocco Magnotta, who is suspected of killing and dismembering a Chinese student in Montreal, could be made in days. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Good deed

## UFC fighter breaks up attack on couple

Mixed martial arts fighter Nick Ring helped break up an attack on a young couple in south Calgary on Wednesday evening.

The 33-year-old, who is on the card of UFC 149 in Calgary on July 21, was driving when he saw a group of teenagers attacking two others. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Court ruling

## City, township responsible for car crash: Court rules

The city of Oshawa, Ont., and nearby Scugog Township are liable for catastrophic injuries two sisters sustained in a crash caused in part by dangerous road conditions, Ontario's top court ruled Thursday.

In dismissing their arguments, the Appeal Court found the municipalities had failed to ensure the road was safe and therefore mainly at fault even though the driver was speeding. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Plastic bag ban

## Toronto council to scrap plastic bags

Toronto Mayor Rob Ford calls the vote to ban single-use plastic bags the "dumbest thing council's done." City council passed a motion Wednesday to scrap the five-cent retail bag fee on July 1. Moments later, council voted to ban distribution of plastic bags altogether as of next Jan. 1. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# Bomb outside Pakistani seminary kills 14

A plainclothes police officer, bottom left, gathers body parts from the site of a bomb explosion in Pakistan on Thursday. ARSHAD BUTT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Bike blast. Dozens more left wounded

A bomb attached to a bicycle exploded outside a seminary in southwestern Pakistan on Thursday,

The blast killed at least 14 people, police said.

More than 40 people were wounded in the attack in Quetta, the capital of Baluchistan province.

Most among the dead and wounded were students at the Sunni Muslim seminary, police said.

No one immediately claimed responsibility, and the motive for the bombing was unclear.

At the time the bomb went off, hundreds of students, teachers and parents were in the Jamia Islamia Maftah-ul-Uloom seminary, attending a ceremony to award certificates to students who had completed their basic religious education, said another police officer.

Baluchistan borders Afghanistan to the west and is believed to be a refuge for Taliban and Pakistani militants.

It has also witnessed a decades-long insurgency by renegade tribal elders and nationalists who demand greater autonomy and a larger share of the province's resources like natural gas and oil extracted from there.

Also, there have been scores of sectarian attacks blamed on Sunni militants with links to the Afghan Taliban who target Shiite Muslims.

Many Sunni extremists do not consider Shiites to be true Muslims.

In October, gunmen on the outskirts of Quetta stopped two buses and pulled off the passengers.

After singling out the Shiite passengers, they lined them up against the bus and shot them — 13 people were killed in the incident, one of the worst acts of sectarian violence in or around the city in recent years.

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**Motive not known**

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- The motive for the bombing was unclear although there have been scores of sectarian attacks in the region.
- More than 40 wounded were taken to hospital where some were listed in critical condition.

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# New mass killings in Syria: UN

**Mazraat al-Qubair.** Activists say nearly 80 people killed, just weeks after brutal massacre in Houla

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said unarmed UN monitors came under fire Thursday as they tried to reach the scene of the latest Syrian mass killing. Activists said government forces killed nearly 80 people, including women and children who were shot, hacked to death and burned in their homes.

Ban told the UN General Assembly that the monitors "were shot at with small arms" as they tried to reach Mazraat al-Qubair, a farming area in the central Hama province. The group initially was denied access. He did not mention any casualties, and it was not clear who was behind the shooting.

International envoy Kofi Annan told the General Assembly, "If things do not change, the future is likely to be one of brutal repression, massacres, sectarian violence, and even all-out civil war."

Syria denied that its forces committed a massacre as "absolutely baseless" and blamed the violence on terrorists who are trying to provoke foreign military intervention to topple Assad.

A resident of Mazraat al-Qubair said troops shelled the area for five hours Wednesday before government-aligned militiamen entered the area, "killing and hacking everyone they could find."

Leith Al-Hamwy says that he survived by hiding in an olive grove about 800 metres from the farms as the killings were taking place. But he said his mother and six siblings, the youngest 10-year-old twins, did not.

"When I came out of hiding and went inside the houses, I saw bodies everywhere. Entire families either shot or killed with sharp sticks and knives," he said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

In this citizen-journalism image, protesters hold a banner that reads "Al-Qubair massacre challenges the world's humanity," during a protest in the village of Hass, Syria, Thursday. EDLIB NEWS NETWORK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Explosion kills 3 in Italy

Rescue workers found the bodies of a family of three after a building exploded in Conversano, Italy, Thursday. DONATO FASANO/LAPRESSE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Search teams picking through the rubble of a residential building that collapsed in southern Italy Thursday after an explosion have found the bodies of an Italian-Dutch couple and their young child, police say. The family had apparently arrived from the Netherlands two days prior on vacation.

Local officials have told media that a gas leak is suspected as the cause.

At least 10 people were slightly injured, including one child. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# U.S. military. Suicides up to one a day in 2012, surpassing deaths in combat

Suicides are surging among America's troops, averaging nearly one a day this year — the fastest pace in the nation's decade of war.

The 154 suicides for active-duty troops in the first 155 days of the year far outdistance the U.S. forces killed in action in Afghanistan — about 50 per cent more — according to Pentagon statistics.

The numbers reflect a military burdened with wartime demands from Iraq and Afghanistan that have taken a greater toll than foreseen a decade ago. The military also is struggling with increased sexual assaults, alcohol abuse, domestic violence and other misbehaviour.

Because suicides had levelled off in 2010 and 2011, this year's upswing has caught some officials by surprise.

The reasons for the increase are not fully understood. Among explanations, studies have pointed to combat exposure, post-traumatic stress, misuse of prescription medications and personal financial problems. Army data suggest soldiers with multiple combat tours are at greater risk of committing suicide, although a substantial proportion of Army suicides are committed by soldiers who never deployed.

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# Ports not diverting cargo: Canada

**Trade irritant.**
U.S. senators had complained Canada was unfairly subsidizing the diversion of ships

A commissioner on a U.S. federal agency probing whether Canadian ports on the West Coast are luring lucrative cargo business away from their American counterparts says the problem may be minimal.

The Canadian government and other officials have told the Federal Maritime Commission that over a period of 10 years, only 2.5 per cent of U.S.-bound cargo was imported via Canadian ports, the agency's Rebecca Dye said Thursday.

Speaking at a Canadian American Business Council conference on China, Dye didn't say when the commission would complete its investigation and deliver its findings to U.S. Congress.

But the matter has been a simmering trade irritant between the U.S. and Canada ever since a pair of senators from Washington state complained that Canadians are unfairly subsidizing the diversion of cargo ships away from their American competitors, particularly in Prince Rupert, B.C.

Andrew Mayer, an official at the Prince Rupert Port Authority also at the conference on Thursday, pointed out that Canadian officials hardly give cargo ships a free ride. While the U.S. taxes shippers, Canada charges them a user fee, he said.

"We charge them to help fund the maintenance of these ports, but we don't have a tax," Mayer said.

He added that cost considerations aren't a "significant component" in why overseas exporters choose a particular port.

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## Best Buy founder steps down

Richard Schulze, the founder and outgoing chairman of Best Buy, pictured above, announced his resignation from the board on Thursday and said that he may sell off his 20.1 per cent stake in the beleaguered electronics retailer. Schulze, 71, has been with the company since its inception in 1966 and its largest shareholder by far. It's the latest news to hit the Minneapolis company facing increasing competition from online retailers and a CEO scandal, and it removes one obstacle for a possible private equity takeover of the company. Shares fell nearly eight per cent in morning trading. CHUCK STOODY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**High-tech travel**

## Toronto airport being outfitted with 2,500 iPads

Toronto's Pearson International Airport is one of three airports to be outfitted with thousands of iPads by restaurant company OTG Management.

The company says it will install 2,500 Apple tablets at the Toronto airport over the next 18 months. The iPads will be available to use in restaurants or waiting areas.

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**Market Minute**

**DOLLAR** 97.29¢ US (No change)

**TSX** 11,592.12(-41.28)

**OIL** $84.82 US (-20¢)

**GOLD** $1,588 US (-$46.20)

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# Economy. Federal Reserve chief offers positive outlook

U.S. Federal Reserve chief Ben Bernanke sketched a hopeful outlook in testimony to a congressional panel Thursday and sent no signals that the Fed will take further steps soon to aid the economy.

Bernanke acknowledged that Europe's debt crisis poses risks to the U.S. financial markets. He also noted that U.S. unemployment remains high at 8.2 per cent. And he said the Fed is prepared to take steps to boost the U.S. economy if it weakens.

But he said Fed officials still need to study the most recent economic trends, including job growth. For now, Bernanke said he foresees moderate growth this year.

He said he's mindful that all that could change, if Europe's crisis quickly worsened or U.S. job growth stalled.

"As always, the Federal Reserve remains prepared to take action as needed to protect the U.S. financial system and economy in the event that financial stresses escalate," he told the Joint Economic Committee.

Most economists don't expect a major announcement at the Fed's next policy meeting June 19-20, despite signals from other Fed members in favour of considering further action.

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**Tablet termination**

## RIM discontinues 16GB Playbook

Research In Motion says it is discontinuing the lowest-priced model of its BlackBerry PlayBook tablet.

A spokeswoman for the company says the Waterloo, Ont.-based company has stopped production on the 16GB Wi-Fi PlayBook.

RIM said it continues to manufacture both the 32GB and 64GB models of the PlayBook.

Shares of RIM ended the day four per cent higher, up 43 cents to $11.04 on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

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**Potato shortage**

## Temporary closure for McCain plant

Food processing company McCain Foods is temporarily closing one of its plants in New Brunswick due to a potato shortage.

Its facility in Grand Falls will shut down one production line on Sunday and the other on July 1.

Calla Farn, vice-president of public relations for McCain Foods, says bad weather in the spring caused a shortage of potatoes, leading to the temporary shutdown.

About 120 workers will be affected, though about 30 of them will be transferred to other areas.

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# Five Wives. Idaho rescinds ban on 'offensive' vodka

Idaho reversed direction in the face of a lawsuit Wednesday and said it will sell Five Wives Vodka, but the liquor producer whose label makes an unmistakable reference to polygamy would not immediately rule out legal action.

The Idaho State Liquor Division rejected as offensive last week the product that shows five women hiking up their skirts on the vodka bottle.

Idaho is more than 25 per cent Mormon and the church at one time allowed polygamy but abandoned the practice in 1890.

The vodka originates from Ogden's Own Distillery in Utah, where the Mormon church is based. The company said it would sue Idaho on principle if necessary.

Steve Conlin, a partner and marketing chief for Ogden's Own Distillery, said Wednesday the company's attorneys would review Idaho's decision before making a statement, likely on Thursday.

But he said selling the vodka as a special-order request meant it wouldn't be available on store shelves but only as a special order. Bars would face the same hurdle.

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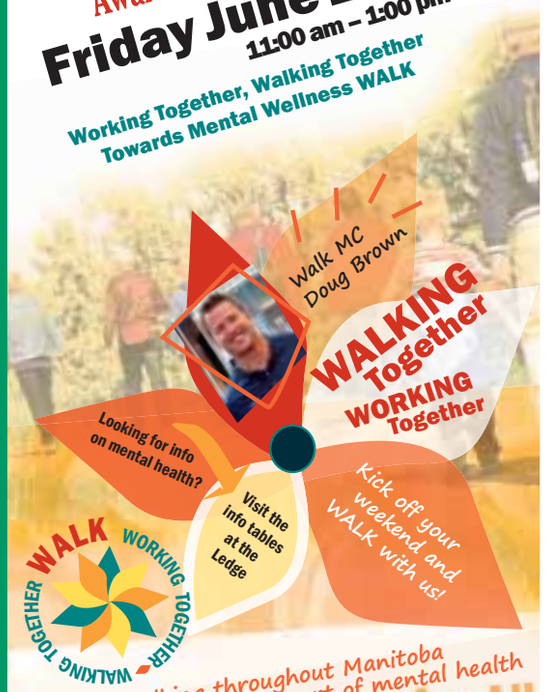
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**12:00 pm LEGISLATIVE BLDG STEPS**
Greetings from Sharon Blady, MLA Kirkland Park, on behalf of the Minister for Healthy Living, Jim Rondeau; closing words from Karen Toole and from Doug Brown. Drumming finale by the Buffalo Gals. Information Tables. Refreshments to follow.

# RUSSELL-ING UP THE NEXT WIFE

THE LIST
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**1 Bonnaroo.** 80,000 people are camping out on a 700 acre site in Manchester, Tenn., this weekend for the epic music festival Bonnaroo, which features 150 acts on 13 stages. The likes of Radiohead, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Phish and the Beach Boys will all be there. Best overnight guitar campfire sing-song ever.

**2 Home ATM.** NBA player DeShawn Stevenson installed an ATM machine in his Dallas home to allow his buddies to withdraw money before they go out partying. And each ATM withdrawal at his house will cost you: $4.50 ATM fee per transaction. I'm taking that idea to the bank.

**3 Rob Lowe Takes Winnipeg.** There have been spottings of him in town all week, where he's filming The Casey Anthony Story for Lifetime TV — playing the part of prosecutor Jeff Ashton. One woman tweeted the Lowe down, "Guess who just met Rob Lowe? Yeah, that's right. Moi. 80s dream realized. And yes, we touched. Le sigh. #Winnipeg".

**4 B.C. Limo Driver.** A limo driver in Vernon, B.C.. called police Saturday night because of drunken passengers in his vehicle. Just one problem: When the police showed up, the driver himself had been drinking. And he failed a roadside breath test. He's now facing an impaired driving charge.

**5 Graceland.** Commemorative CD/DVD editions of Paul Simon's landmark Graceland album came out this week, marking the album's 25th anniversary. They include the new Graceland documentary Under African Skies, chronicling its recording and impact on world music and pop culture. Must watch.

**6 Canadian Psycho.** Suspected fugitive/cannibal Luka Rocco Magnotta was arrested at an Internet café in Berlin this week. Which actually really shouldn't surprise anyone, as the ultimate narcissist was there checking out reports on the manhunt for himself.

**7 Russell Brand.** At the MTV Movie Awards, Brand wasted no time in his opening monologue addressing his divorce from Katy Perry. "The last time I did an MTV awards show, I did end up marrying someone that was there. So tonight I'm going to keep my eyes peeled for my next wife!" No word if he kissed a girl that night.

**8 Celine Dion.** Celine Dion's heart goes out to Kate Winslet, who has said the Titanic theme song, My Heart Will Go On, makes her sick. Dion said on the Today show this week: "If I just count how many times I've sung it, maybe it'll get me sick. If she feels tired just hearing it, and, like, throwing up, I'm glad she was not the one singing it." You should hear me belt it out.

**9 Twitter's New Birdie.** The world's famous little blue bird doesn't need any accessories anymore, as Twitter announced this week "there's no longer a need for text, bubbled typefaces, or a lowercase 't' to represent Twitter" anymore. So now it's just the birdie. In other news, the blue jay in my backyard still has a bird bath.

**10 Miley Cyrus.** It was just yesterday that my girls were watching her as Hannah Montana, and now the 19-year-old has gone and gotten engaged. Yes, she announced her engagement to boyfriend actor Liam Hemsworth. No word if dad Billy Ray will sing Achy, Breaky Heart at her wedding.

**11 Melissa Stetten.** The model hilariously live tweeted an unknown actor Brian Pressly — a devout Christian married with a child — hitting on her in a plane. Sample tweet: "Brian has a wedding ring. I ask him how his wife is, he says he just wears the ring because he likes it. Right, Brian." Horrible acting job Brian.

**12 Brock University.** Graduating students there were treated to some Hollywood celebrity when Ryan Gosling showed up with girlfriend Eva Mendes on campus to watch his mom graduate on Wednesday. Notebook ending to their schooling.

**Schtick man. Russell Brand at the MTV Movie Awards where he delivered his pick-up line.** MATT SAYLES/INVISION/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# How they roll in 'Skateistan'

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**Sports outreach**

## Afghan boys, girls totally get on board

Skateistan is a unique NGO in war-torn Afghanistan that teaches skateboarding to hundreds of children.

The group set up the only skatepark in Kabul and includes girls, who are forbidden from riding bicycles and playing sports in the country.

Skateistan unveils a new book and exhibition of its story this week in Germany.

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**Stealth triumph**

## "Our advantage was that nobody had heard of skateboarding." Frauke Meyn, project manager, Skateistan

The group has 40 per cent female membership, and has cut across ethnic boundaries. Staff say the key to avoiding controversy has been close links with the community and regular dialogue with the families of skaters. The skate park is discreetly positioned out of public view.

**Skater girls, Afghan style.** RHIANON BADER/SKATEISTAN.ORG

**Skateistan timeline**

- **2007** Established by Australian skateboarder Oliver Percovich.
- **2009** Construction of the Kabul skatepark completed.
- **2012** New Mazar-e-Sharif centre to open in July.

**Adventure playground**

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**The size in square metres of the skatepark in Kabul, donated by the Afghan National Olympic Committee, with donated ramps.**

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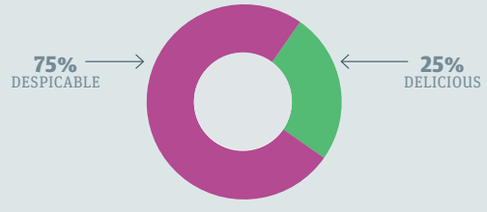


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## RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN

**Prometheus.**
Ridley Scott's latest imagining is pretty, but the '70s sci-fi dialogue makes it go clunk

**Richard:** Chris, thematically Prometheus is equally about creation and destruction. As a piece of entertainment goes, however, I'm not sure it will create lasting memories. It won't destroy the goodwill of the first couple of Alien films, but I don't think it will add much to the legacy either. For me there is very little big bang in a movie that is reportedly about the most significant discovery in the history of mankind. You?

**Chris:** I was blindsided. My expectations were low to none. I didn't want Alien redux, I wanted something different and I got it. The visuals were so grandiose, the aesthetics so nightmarish and baroque that I was dazzled. Only when the pithy dialogue steered the ship did I reject it ... but then something would ooze, a storm would rage and I was back in. And hey, it's not 1979 anymore. We've seen it all and I'm pleased that Scott chose to dwell on dread rather than simple chest-bursting shock. But man ... that dialogue!

**RC:** It may not be 1979 anymore, but I agree, the dialogue sounded like leftover, bad late '70s sci-fi films. I expected a higher level of writing from a movie that is more about ideas than action. Having said that, I loved Michael Fassbender's automaton space butler. He's got many of the film's best lines and if they ever need someone to play the lead in The Peter O'Toole Story, he's the guy.

**CA:** Fassbender is fantastic, Rapace is scrappy ... but for me, this was all about aesthetics. Then again, with Scott, it was always about aesthetics. Alien had no story, it found its power in dread, atmosphere and design. Blade Runner had no story, only a philosophy and a MacGuffin and again, exists as a testament to mood, music and architecture. With Prometheus, there are things in here that I haven't seen or experienced since, well, since Blade Runner; things I will never forget. And while there may be no chest-burster freak-outs, one word: Caesarean!

**RC:** (Mild spoiler) Four words! Do it yourself caesarean! The movie's slow build nicely leads up to that memorable scene, adding an element of horror to the heady mix of ideas but I expected more from Scott. Perhaps Alien set the bar too high for the director to leap over.

**CA:** I prefer to see it as Alien vs. Predator draining the IQ of the franchise so that Prometheus appears like Potemkin by comparison. But in all seriousness, Prometheus gave me a massive sensory jolt. Great Scott, give me more!

**Synopsis**

**The basic storyline of Alien is in place in Prometheus, just don't call this movie a sequel or a prequel lest you annoy Sir Ridley. A group of hapless space travellers faceoff with some intergalactic nasties who give hugging a bad name. But these face huggers aren't the movie's main draw. Led by Elizabeth Shaw (Noomi Rapace) and Charlie Holloway (Logan Marshall-Green), the expedition into the far corners of the universe aims to prove a connection between ancient human civilizations and extraterrestrials. Chris Alexander sits in for Mark Breslin.**

- Richard: ●●●○○
- Chris: ●●●●○



Scene in brief

## Stars out to end violence against women

**Academy Award winners Nicole Kidman and Mira Sorvino urged an end to violence against women at a concert Wednesday night in New York City to support the UN agency that promotes equality for women and an end to attacks against millions of women and girls. General Assembly President Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser of Qatar brought the Qatar Philharmonic Orchestra to the UN to celebrate his leadership of the 193-member world body this year and dedicated the concert to supporting UN Women, which came into existence in 2010.**
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# A tribute to hockey's legendary goon

**Ogilthorpe.** Short Canadian film based on the life of rock 'em, sock 'em player Bill 'Goldie' Goldthorpe

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One of the most iconic characters from the cult 1970s film Slapshot will be coming to life in a new Canadian film entitled Ogilthorpe.

Ogie Ogilthorpe, the villainous goon who cameos in the conclusion of Slapshot, was a character based on real-life goon Bill "Goldie" Goldthorpe.

Like in Slapshot, the real Ogilthorpe's legend precedes him. When Goldthorpe played, his fists did the talking, and his bleach blond afro had the potential to make clowns blush. He once threatened Don Cherry and got away with it. And while incarcerated in Syracuse during the American Hockey League season, coaching staff from his team would escort Goldthorpe back and forth from prison between games.

The film, which was shot in Humboldt, Saskatchewan, is the brainchild of executive producer Dave Fergusson. Fergusson thinks that style of rock 'em, sock 'em hockey featured in the film is a thing of the past.

"It was the wild west back then. He (Goldthorpe) was the wildest, most unpredictable player in the league back then. He was the fiercest goon ever to play the game of hockey," said Fergusson.

Fergusson has been transfixed by the legend of Ogilthorpe for some time now.

"That's the beauty of Ogilthorpe. The beauty of his life story is the drama — and it's both on the ice and off the ice.

"There are incidents where this guy went to a rink in a different league to watch a hockey game and he's a member of neither team and ends up getting involved with the brawl."

Saskatoon fitness trainer and former hockey player Kelly Riou plays the legend of Ogilthorpe. The resemblances between the actor and man in real life are striking.

"I have a curly Afro myself but I keep it completely short because I don't like the curls and the next thing I know they're taking it right back to where it was and blond to boot."

**Quoted**

**"It was the wild west back then. He (Goldthorpe) was the wildest, most unpredictable player in the league back then."**

Dave Fergusson, executive producer of Ogilthorpe

**Online**

The trailer of Ogilthorpe is debuting on metronews.ca and ogilthorpethemovie.com.

Bill 'Goldie' Goldthorpe getting into trouble on the rink. HANDOUT

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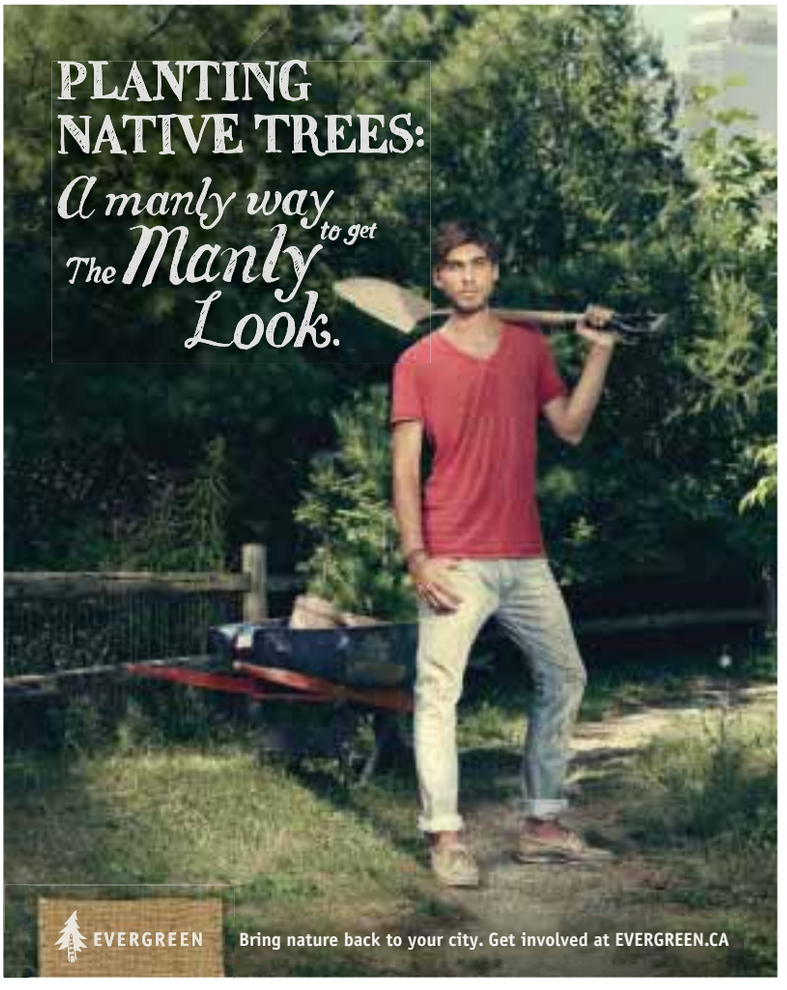
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**Drama**

## Cosmopolis

**Director.** David Cronenberg

**Stars.** Robert Pattinson, Jay Baruchel, Samantha Morton

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In Cosmopolis, director David Cronenberg takes us on an existential road trip through the breakdown of modern society. Twilight heartthrob Robert Pattinson plays Eric Packer, a 28-year-old billionaire money manager. Powerful, controlling and self-destructive, he's driving across Manhattan to get a haircut in the back of a tricked-out stretch limousine while his world crumbles. It's a challenging film that exists on the macro and the micro, a complex character study of one man's battle to be relevant and alive and a look at the world that is rapidly changing around him.

RICHARD CROUSE

**Animation**

## Madagascar 3

**Directors.** Eric Darnell, Tom McGrath, Conrad Vernon

**Stars.** Ben Stiller, Jada Pinkett Smith, Chris Rock

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Alex the lion (voiced by Ben Stiller), zebra Marty (Chris Rock), giraffe Melman (David Schwimmer) and hippo Gloria (Jada Pinkett Smith) are still stranded in the African savannah and after a side trip to Monaco they join a circus with hopes of returning to their New York home. The Madagascar series has never been my favourite animated franchise but there is more invention and fun in the first 20 minutes of Madagascar 3 than in all of Battleship and Men in Black 3 combined. The new film is funny — it's worth the price of admission.

RICHARD CROUSE

# Akerman takes a look at the other side

**Rock of Ages.** Actress plays a Rolling Stone reporter in her latest role and realizes it can be a pretty tough gig interviewing the rich, famous and difficult

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Malin Akerman got a look at how the other half lives in Rock of Ages, playing a Rolling Stone reporter tasked with interviewing the infamously difficult rock star Stacee Jaxx (Tom Cruise). Of course, their interview devolves into a raucous, half-naked rendition of I Want to Know What Love Is, with Cruise using Akerman's rear end as a microphone at one point. Our interview was, to put it mildly, much more staid.

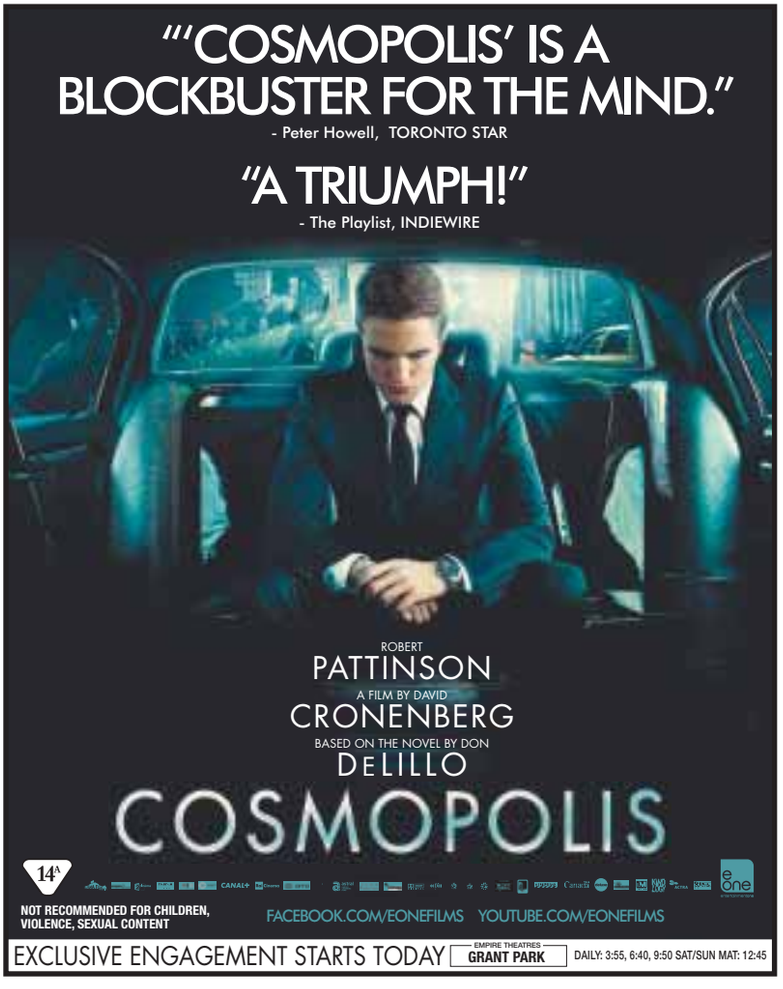
**Has playing this part given you new sympathy for the folks interviewing you?**

Absolutely. I mean, I've always had sympathy for you guys because I know it's hard. There's that whole mix of wanting to get a really good story, and then on our side of the coin not wanting to give too much of a personal life story. It's hard. It's not easy, finding the right balance. But it was fun to play, definitely. It was nice to be on the other side of the coin. I liked it, but a few people I talked to today, they go, "God, I've had an experience like that." There was one woman who went to someone's house and ended up having to interview a rock star in bed. He was still in bed hungover and wouldn't get out of bed.

Malin Akerman. HANDOUT

**Have you had much experience singing before doing this project, and was that something that gave you pause?**

It definitely did not give me pause. I wanted to do it so badly. I've always wanted to do a musical. I've done a couple of auditions for musicals so it's always kind of been on my radar, but I had a band in 2002 — a self-taught, self-made kind of thing. We recorded our songs in a closet. It was nothing fancy, and I never went anywhere with it, but I'd never had any real vocal training so this was the first time.



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The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4-7-9:55
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 9:45
The Lucky One (PG) Fri-Sun 12:30-2:55-5:15-7:40-10:15 Mon-Thu 2:10-4:50-7:40-10:15
Mirror Mirror (G) Fri-Thu 2-7:05
Safe (STC) Fri-Sun 12:15-2:40-5:05-7:25-9:50 Mon-Thu 2:30-5:05-7:25-9:50
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# No more auction dates for Charlize

Charlize Theron doesn't regret many things, but she does regret letting herself be auctioned off for charity.

"Do not do it. It's like the worst idea ever," Theron tells Conan O'Brien during an interview. While she went through with the blind date with the highest bidder, she admits she "made two girlfriends sit at the restaurant" nearby.

"The closer I got, I thought: 'This could actually turn out really bad. Rich people can be creeps, too! They can rape,'" she says.

"Look, I would rather just give the money (to charity). It was a scary thing. And (the guy) was weird."

Charlie Sheen

# Charlie Sheen is far from 'done'

The way Charlie Sheen sees it, he's come a long way since his famous flameout last year, telling Rolling Stone that he's now sober — for the most part.

"I don't see what's wrong with a few drinks," Sheen says in the interview.

"What's your drink? Tequila? Mine's vodka. Straight, because I've always said that ice is for injuries." Speaking of injuries, Sheen still feels slighted by the way Hollywood pushed him aside after his famous feud with his former Two and a Half Men boss, Chuck Lorre.

"I was blackballed in this friggin' town. I had to generate my own stuff, to say 'I'm not done yet,'" says Sheen, whose new show, Anger Management, is premiering this month.

"I'm not done because they say I'm done."

# All about Miley's rock

Miley Cyrus is getting married to Liam Hemsworth, and now she has the massive diamond to prove it.

Jeweller Neil Lane tells People magazine that Hemsworth asked for "something really beautiful and romantic," so Lane produced a one-of-a-kind gem: It's "a 3.5-carat cushion-cut diamond ring, handcrafted in 18-karat gold with intricately carved diamond floral motifs in an art nouveau pattern," he says.

At the centre is an antique diamond that hasn't been re-cut since the 19th century. Cyrus, for her part, seems pleased, posting to Twitter, "I feel like all my dreams are coming true."

# METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

**The Word**

## *Jimmy Kimmel, what have you done?*

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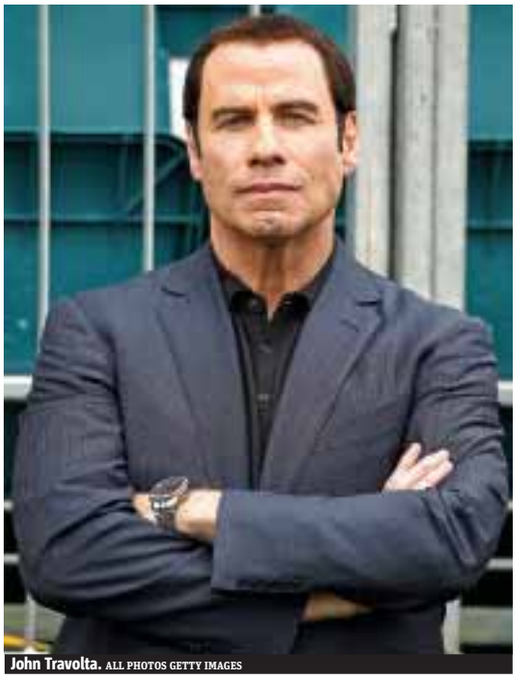
We don't envy Jimmy Kimmel. Whereas the idea of Kardashians is enough to haunt this office, all three were live in his studio on Wednesday night. While he had them there, he took the opportunity to ask Kourtney if she had any plans to marry longtime boyfriend Scott Disick.

"Do you wanna be in my therapy session?" she replied with a seriously scary laugh (did we mention she is 33 and pregnant with his second child?).

"First of all, I have realized that I have major commitment problems during this pregnancy. I'm really claustrophobic, and all my issues — and I have a lot of them — they all stem from this thing. I can't commit to anything. But I love Scott, and he is my partner."

Kimmel made it out of the conversation as close to alive as you can expect after a close encounter of the Kardashian kind. But if Kourtney is sporting a ring next week, we're going to want a word off air.



John Travolta. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

# John Travolta is gay, says former secretary

A former secretary for John Travolta says the actor — who's currently being dogged by multiple sexual assault accusations from men — is gay, according to the National Enquirer.

"Of course I knew he was gay. It never bothered me," says Joan Edwards, who worked for Travolta from 1978 to 1994.

Edwards claims she learned firsthand details from another former employee, Doug Gotterba, who worked as a pilot for Travolta starting in 1981.

"He told me that John was gay and they had a sexual relationship."

Travolta's attorney has yet to comment on the story.

# Jim Carrey fires back

Jim Carrey didn't appreciate ex-girlfriend Jenny McCarthy telling Howard Stern that he has refused to maintain a relationship with her son, Evan, who is autistic.

"I will always do what I believe is in the best interest of Evan's well being," says the actor, who denies that McCarthy has ever reached out. "It's unfortunate that Evan's privacy is not being considered. I love Evan very much and will miss him always."

I think we can all agree on what's important here: There is no way we're watching McCarthy's new reality dating show.

**Twitter**

**@driverminnie**
now if you'll excuse me, I'm off to take some sincere pain medication. see you next week then.

**@MarleeMatlin**
So I have 70 cases of 7-UP retro that I designed for the finale of @apprenticeNBC last year. Is it still good? Does anyone in LA want it?

**@RealKiefer**
There is justice. The man who stole Tom Petty's guitars was caught. Yay!

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This recipe makes 12 rolls. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Get sprung on unique summer shrimp rolls

**Shrimp & Jicama Spring Rolls.** These fresh bites make the perfect appetizers

Imagine crossing a monster potato with a water chestnut. That's jicama for you. And while not much to look at on the outside, the crisp, crunchy texture and clean, sweet flavour inside makes this veggie worth seeking out.

First, the basics. Jicama is a tuber — a big, brown, round root. A relative of the bean family, it is native to Mexico and South America.

Though most often eaten raw, such as chopped into salads, jicama can be steamed, boiled, sautéed or fried. And so long as you don't overcook it, jicama retains its pleasantly crisp texture when cooked.

The flavour is on the neutral side, with a hint of starchy sweetness. It really is quite similar to water chestnuts, and can be substituted for them.

The roots — which are available year-round — can range anywhere from 8 ounces to 6 pounds. That's a whole mess of tuber for you.

Once limited mostly to Latin American markets, the popularity of Hispanic foods has pushed jicama into mainstream grocers. The jicama at most grocery stores will be coated in a thick wax. It's just as well; the thin brown skin isn't edible and needs to be peeled off anyway.

The easiest way to peel jicama is with a paring knife. Just hack away the skin in chunks, exposing the moist white heart of the root. This then can be cut into chunks, matchsticks or diced.

Whole jicama can be stored at room temperature for a week or refrigerated a bit longer. Once cut, they can be wrapped in plastic and refrigerated for a week.

**1.** Dipping sauce: In a blender combine the peanut butter, jam, soy sauce and vinegar. Blend until smooth. Add hot sauce, to taste, then set aside.

**2.** Place noodles in bowl and cover with hot water. Soak for 5 mins., or until softened. Drain in mesh strainer .

**3.** Use spoon to scrape out and discard the seeds from the cucumber halves. Cut each piece into thin strips. Cut jicama into thin slices, then cut each slice into thin matchsticks.

**4.** Fill bowl (at least several inches larger than the rice wrappers) with warm water. Soak 1 wrapper in water until soft and pliable, 20 seconds.

**5.** Carefully remove rice wrapper from the water and lay flat on the counter. Place small bundle of noodles along one edge of wrapper. Top noodles with a bit each of cucumber, jicama and carrots. Place 3 shrimp over vegetables, then top with a mint leaf.

**6.** Roll wrapper, starting with filling side, folding ends over the filling as you roll to form tight cylinder. Repeat with remaining wrappers and fillings. Serve spring rolls with dipping sauce.

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**Ingredients**

**Dipping sauce:**
- 1/4 cup peanut butter
- 1/4 cup apricot jam
- 2 tbsp soy sauce
- 2 tbsp rice or cider vinegar
- Hot sauce, to taste

**Spring rolls:**
- 2 oz dried bean or rice thread noodles
- 1/2 cucumber, peeled and halved lengthwise
- 4-oz peeled jicama root
- 12 large rice-paper wrappers (8-inch round or larger)
- 1/2 cup shredded carrots
- 1 lb cooked and cooled extra-large shrimp, shelled and deveined
- 12 large fresh mint leaves

**Liquid Assets**

## Skip white wine & reach for...green?

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A philosophical frog once said, "It's not easy being green." White winemakers hum the same tune because consumers' love for clean, clear liquid in their glasses has forced them to filter their whites within an inch of their lives for years.

Truth be told, many grapes we consider white have much darker skins than you might imagine, with the best example being pinot grigio. Unfiltered, your average PG would be a few shades shy of rosé.

One white that wears its colour on its label is Vinho Verde made in the Portuguese province of Minho. Translating to "green wine" its name is really a reference to the bright, refreshing flavour's characteristic of the region's juice more than the pigment of Kermit's imagination.

Pale straw to the naked eye, Sogrape's Gazela 2011 Vinho Verde ($8.53 - $11.99) is a zesty, light-bodied wine with a zing of effervescence that tingles the tongue and adds lift to the subtle expression of citrus, lime and grapefruit.

A classic summer wine style, Vinho Verde is perfect with anything that swims or crawls in the ocean and makes a relaxing back deck sipper on a warm afternoon. PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.

## 3 LIFE

**Cookbook**

### The Barbecue Collection

You might not have to cook the same thing twice by following the vision of The Barbecue Collection by the staff at The Canadian Living Test Kitchen.

"Our last barbecue book was a huge seller; we sold more than 33,000 copies," said Tina Anson Mine, executive editor of food and books for Canadian Living in an interview from the magazine's offices in Toronto.

"We decided to update and give this rendition a new lease on life and there are more than 100 new recipes never seen before in all kinds of international flavours."

The other 50 are reprinted from other publications that Anson Mine says have been hugely popular as well.

One of the most impressive and varied is the chapter on grilling poultry.

Rounding out the choices are recipes for fish and seafood such as blackened catfish, a seafood Caesar Salad, grilled shrimp, squid and oysters.

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**"We've been through a lot. We don't call each other family just to say it. We really believe in that."**

Oklahoma City Thunder forward Kevin Durant, who scored 34 points in Wednesday night's 107-99 NBA finals-clinching win over the San Antonio Spurs.

**"It's almost like a Hollywood script for OKC in a sense."**

Spurs coach Gregg Popovich on the Thunder. San Antonio had won 20 straight games after taking a 2-0 lead in the series before Oklahoma stormed back to win four straight.

Mobile news

It seems to be a foregone conclusion that Kentucky's Anthony Davis will go No. 1 in the 2012 NBA draft. But the star forward insists he's "not set in stone" to go first in the draft. Scan the code for the story.

Goalie Martin Brodeur goes for a skate during Game 4 in Los Angeles on Wednesday night. BRUCE BENNETT/GETTY IMAGES FILE

# Brodeur breathes life into Devils' cup hopes

**NHL.** Grizzled netminder gives New Jersey chance to turn around final against L.A.

There was no way the moment was going to get the best of Martin Brodeur.

He's touched the Stanley Cup, lifted it in the air, had it out front of the house where he was raised in the Montreal borough of Saint Leonard. And he's made an incredible career out of helping the New Jersey Devils win important games.

So with Staples Center trembling in anticipation of a Stanley Cup sweep by the Los Angeles Kings on Wednesday night, it should be no surprise that Brodeur was at his best as the Devils forced a Game 5 back in New Jersey on Saturday.

"It's just being in the moment," he explained afterwards. "It's really hard while you're playing to really think about (past experiences) — even though some of them are successful, some are not. But for me, it's living in the moment, living these experiences with these guys. That's what hockey is all about."

With so much of the focus in this series on the outstanding play of Kings goaltender Jonathan Quick, Brodeur has almost been lost in the shuffle. But he stared down three breakaways in an extremely tight Game 4 and benefited from a couple fortunate breaks — two pucks rang off his post late in the first period — to keep the Stanley Cup from being presented.

Whether it was just delaying the inevitable or the start of a historic comeback by New Jersey, only time will tell.

Brodeur has been candid about his team's struggles in the series and knows that there is no room for error in his performance as a result. The fact he's still able to meet that challenge a month after his 40th birthday is amazing.

Few outsiders believed Brodeur would ever make his way back on to the big stage, especially since the Devils had only won two playoff series since he lifted his third cup in 2003.

"I don't think you're ever surprised at what he does, how he handles everything," Devils general manager Lou Lamoriello said at the start of the final.

"He has a personality that never looks back.... He's changed his game accordingly to the way the style is. He's a student." THE CANADIAN PRESS

**Kings make road look easy**

**The Kings, 15-3 in the post-season, are the first team to grab a 3-0 lead in four straight series in one playoff year.**

- But only one of those matchups ended in a sweep as Los Angeles has now dropped three Game 4s at home.
- L.A. is heading back into its true comfort zone for Saturday's Game 5 — the road. It is there that they have already set records with 10 straight victories in this post-season, and 12 playoff wins in a row, dating to last year. With one more win away from L.A., the Kings will also set the mark with 11 road wins in a single playoff. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tennis

## Sharapova a win away from elusive French Open title

One victory Thursday finished Maria Sharapova's climb back to the top of the tennis rankings.

With one more on Saturday, she'll be the French Open champion and complete a career Grand Slam. Sharapova defeated Petra Kvitova 6-3, 6-3 in the semifinals at Roland Garros. The second-seeded Russian will meet 21st-seeded Sara Errani in the final.

"I always dreamed of being on the final stage here and I finally have that opportunity," Sharapova said. "And I'm more than excited." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Maria Sharapova on Thursday. GETTY IMAGES

Belmont Stakes

## I'll Have Another looking good ahead of Triple Crown attempt, says trainer

Triple Crown contender I'll Have Another turned in another strong gallop as he prepares for the Belmont Stakes on Saturday.

On a sunny Thursday morning, the Canadian-owned colt again went once around the oval, duplicating the 1 1/2 miles of the race.

"He had a really good day of training," trainer Doug O'Neill said. "He showed good energy and he cooled out really well. I'm very happy with where we are two days out."

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# Hopes of a nation on their shoulders

**Euro 2012.** Poland determined not to repeat mistakes of past while co-hosting Euro with Ukraine

Polish players warm up in Warsaw on Monday. ALIK KEPLICZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Poland captain Jakub Blaszczykowski is determined not to let his team make the same mistakes at the European Championship that have torpedoed the country's hopes at past tournaments.

Topping that list is losing the opening game.

Poland was beaten in its first match at the 2002 and 2006 World Cups and the 2008 European Championship. It crashed out of each of those competitions in the group stage.

"For sure, the last tournaments were not a success, and that's why we're trying not to repeat the mistakes of the past," Blaszczykowski said Thursday. "But I'm convinced all of us players have done everything that we can to be ready for the first match. The most important thing is not to lose this game so as to head down the path of past tournaments."

The Poland side that will open this year's competition on Friday against Greece at Warsaw's new National Stadium in front of 55,000 fans is a very different team, however, from the ones that failed to impress in the recent past.

Above all, coach Franciszek Smuda has three top-class players to build the team around — the Borussia Dortmund trio of Blaszczykowski, striker Robert Lewandowski and defender Lukasz Piszczek.

All three players are coming off stellar seasons during which they helped power Dortmund to a domestic double.

Lewandowski netted 22 goals in 34 league matches and was named the Bundesliga's player of the year. Blaszczykowski scored six goals and provided eight assists, while Piszczek contributed four goals and seven assists from his right back position.

"We have players who can change the game at any moment to our advantage, and that's the difference between this team and past teams," Blaszczykowski said.

The Poland captain and his teammates have an added incentive this year not to bow out early — they don't want to disappoint the millions of home fans who have been waiting for this moment since Poland won the right five years ago to co-host the tournament with Ukraine.

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**Ukraine president urges citizens to host with 'friendliness'**

**Ukraine's president called on his countrymen to give a warm welcome to visitors during the European Championship, in the face of concerns over racism at football matches and criticism over a political opponent's imprisonment.**

- Viktor Yanukovych hailed his country's success in preparing for the tournament. He also congratulated his country on building roads, stadiums and airports for Euro 2012 and called on his citizens Thursday in a televised address to exhibit "our Ukrainian hospitality, sincerity and friendliness."

**Quoted**

**"We have the expectations of a whole country on us, we're aware of that, but it only motivates us more**

**Jakub Blaszczykowski,** Polish captain

# Calibre of play at Euro second to none

Fernando Torres of Spain lifts the trophy after the Euro 2008 final against Germany. ALEX LIVESEY/GETTY IMAGES

The World Cup may be the best-known soccer tournament on the planet. It may not be the best.

To many fans, the European Championship ranks as the top competition.

This year's continental championship, generally called Euro 2012, kicks off Friday in Warsaw when co-host Poland plays Greece at the National Stadium. Ukraine also will be hosting games.

With only 16 teams instead of 32, many believe the calibre of play at the European Championship exceeds that at the World Cup, which gets diluted by some of the slots apportioned to areas of the globe weaker in soccer.

Both tournaments take place every four years, but in alternate even-numbered years. That puts the European Championship, which started in 1960 and became a full-fledged tournament in 1980 when eight teams competed, in the same summer as the Olympics.

For Euro 2012, defending champion Spain — which also won the 2010 World Cup — is the favourite, especially with Xavi Hernandez and Andres Iniesta controlling play. But the Netherlands and Germany are also contenders with their own game-changing players, notably the Dutch trio of Arjen Robben, Robin van Persie and Wesley Sneijder.

Others, like England with Wayne Rooney and Portugal with Cristiano Ronaldo, will also be in the mix.

Hooliganism is always an issue at major soccer tournaments; this year's competition has already been marred by racism concerns and political turmoil in Ukraine.

The 16 teams in the championship — the two co-hosts and 14 other nations that made it through a two-year qualifying tournament — have been split into four groups of four. The top two in each group reach the quarterfinals.

The final will be played on July 1 in Kyiv. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**By the numbers**

**1**

**Only one non-European country (Uruguay in 2010) has been among the semifinalists at the last two World Cups.**

**Group A**

## Czech Republic

Milan Baros has recovered from a thigh injury, and will play in the Czechs' opener against Russia Friday.

## Greece

Greece is trying to live up to its Euro win in 2004 and will be in tough from the get-go, facing hosts Poland in Friday's opener.

## Poland

Desperate for a strong start after losing its first match at the 2002 and 2006 World Cups and the 2008 Euros.

## Russia

Coach Dick Advocaat says his entire squad is fit for its opener against the Czechs, including goalkeeper Igor Akinfeev, who had a left knee injury this week.

**Group B**

## Denmark

Denmark is in big trouble early as the weakest club in the Group of Death.

## Germany

The reliability of Germany's defence and the speed of its anchor, Per Mertesacker, whose match experience since February has been limited to two friendlies.

## Netherlands

Joris Mathijsen is almost certain to miss the opener against Denmark and might be ruled out altogether, robbing the team of one of its key defenders.

## Portugal

The fact they've found the net just once in their last three friendlies doesn't bode well.

**Group C**

## Croatia

Coach Slaven Bilic says striker Nikica Jelavic will spearhead the team's attack after a successful spell at Everton.

## Ireland

Opening match against Croatia could give Irish a chance to start out competition on the right foot.

## Italy

Standout Italy midfielder Andrea Pirlo has bruised his right calf, although team officials are treating the injury as very minor.

## Spain

Will try to become first county to successfully defend European title but the absence of defender Carles Puyol will make it tough.

**Group D**

## England

Opening clash with France on Monday should be a good litmus test after second-round exit at 2010 World Cup.

## France

Pressure is on after 2010 World Cup training-ground strike which shocked and embarrassed a nation.

## Sweden

Sweden has two concerns going into its opener against Ukraine on Monday — Johan Elmander's foot and the co-host's crowd support.

## Ukraine

Ukraine coach Oleg Blokhin says his team's opening match against Sweden will decide whether his team has any chance of reaching the quarterfinals.

## Crossword

**Across**
1 Knighted woman
5 Deposit
8 Stop
12 Holly
13 Blond shade
14 Malaria symptom
15 Lamb symbolizing the Savior
17 Christmas
18 Crown of honor
19 Silver-white element
21 Kinsman
22 Carina
23 Vast expanse
26 Expert
28 Parasite
31 Therefore
33 Frat party prop
35 Percussion instrument
36 "All My Children" role
38 Understanding
40 Branch
41 Sailors
43 Ph. bk. data
45 Quest
47 One with "I" trouble
51 Con
52 Farm study
54 Mortgage
55 Island souvenir
56 On
57 Icelandic saga
58 List-ending abbr.
59 Anger

**Down**
1 Use an old phone
2 Plankton component
3 Carte
4 Region beyond a city
5 Securing device
6 Work with
7 Dense
8 Hick
9 "Genie in a Bottle" singer
10 Humdinger
11 Abound
16 Antitoxins
20 Conger, e.g.
23 Witness
24 Mess up
25 Shook
27 Comic-strip squeal
29 Cad
30 "Let me think ..."
32 Sweet potato
34 Nonproprietary
37 Curved line
39 "Fuhgeddaboudit!"
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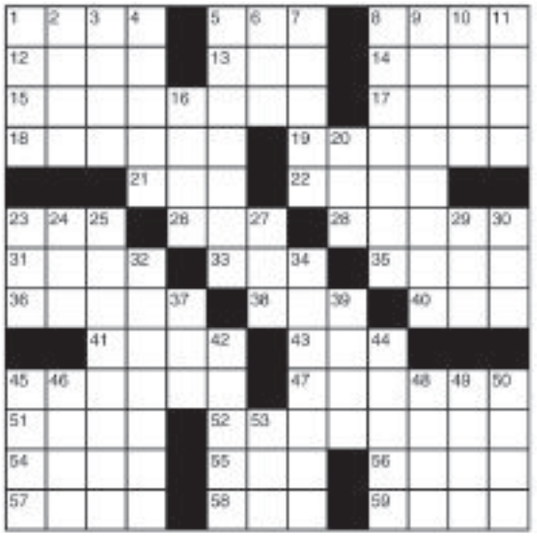

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**How to play**
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

## Yesterday's Sudoku

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## Yesterday's Crossword

## Cryptoquip

**How to play**
This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

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**Yesterday's Cryptoquip:** WHEN A WILD OUTING IS ABOUT TO OCCUR, COULD YOU SAY THAT WOULD BE A PENDING SPREE?

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**Aries | March 21 - April 20.** You like to know what's going on and you like to know what's going to happen next but the Sun-Mars link will take you by surprise in a way.

**Taurus | April 21 - May 21.** Hopefully you won't take what happens today too seriously. You know how silly it is to struggle against events that cannot be controlled.

**Gemini | May 22 - June 20.** You will have to sacrifice something that is precious to you for the greater good today. Remember: You are not making this decision just for yourself but for other people too.

**Cancer | June 21 - July 22.** If you come on too strong today, you are likely to turn people against you, so tone down your act a bit. Charm is the key.

**Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22.** There is no point moaning about what you are expected to do — just roll up your sleeves and get on with the job.

**Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22.** The problems you face are mostly problems you have created for yourself. Therefore, hoping that other people will resolve them for you isn't going to work, is it?

**Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22.** Stand your ground today even if you find yourself up against someone whose power and position puts your own in the shade.

**Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.** Partners may be pushy today but you must not give in to their demands. Let them know that you can't be threatened and that no matter what, your answer is still 'no'.

**Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21.** You will need to be tough today, especially when dealing with people who seem to believe they have some sort of right to your time and energy.

**Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20.** No matter how strongly the evidence points in one direction today, you must keep looking in other directions too.

**Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18.** If partners and colleagues want to play games today that's up to them but you care only about reality.

**Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20.** Rise above your current situation. Once you understand that minor negative events are of no real importance you'll feel happier — and achieve more too.

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